

## ***FWP COMMISSION AGENDA ITEM COVER SHEET***

**Meeting Date:** June 14, 2012

**Agenda Item:** 2012 Antelope Quotas Outside Biennial Quota Ranges

**Division:** Wildlife

**Action Needed:** Approval of Proposed Rule

**Time Needed on Agenda for this Presentation:** 5 minutes

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### **Background**

Field surveys have identified proposed changes outside the biennial antelope quota ranges adopted in February 2012. To address this, proposed adjustments to quota ranges are listed below. There are no other antelope quota adjustments for 2012.

### **ANTELOPE**

#### **Statewide (Regions 3–7)**

- 900-00: Decrease Archery Either Sex licenses from 5,600 to 4,700

#### **Region 7**

- 700-00: Decrease Either Sex licenses from 6,500 to 3,000
- 700-10: Decrease Dow/Fawn licenses from 500 to 100

### **Public Involvement Process & Results**

The public comment period for any adopted proposal will run through 5 p.m., Monday, July 9, with Final adoptions at the July 12 commission meeting in Helena.

### **Agency Recommendation & Rationale**

FWP recommends the commission adopt these proposed 2012 adjustments outside the previously adopted biennial quota ranges. This approach maintains the integrity of the adopted biennial ranges and, more important, adheres to survey-based management prescriptions.

### **Proposed Motion**

I move the FWP Commission adopt the proposed adjustments to 2012 antelope quotas outside the biennial range as proposed by FWP.